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**Testimony in Favor of HB1286**

**Anne Arundel County – Alcoholic Beverages – Beauty Salon and Barbershop License**

Dear Chair Wells, Vice-Chair Kerr, and Members of the Government, Labor, and Elections Committee:

I respectfully request a favorable report of House Bill 1286 to expand the on-premises consumption Class SL license to enable Anne Arundel County barbershops and beauty salons to serve liquor to patrons.

The Anne Arundel County Class SL license currently authorizes the provision of beer and wine in barbershops and beauty salons. Specifically, this bill proposes a 1.7 ounce liquor option, in parity with the existing 12 ounces of beer and 5 ounces of wine permissions, with the same safeguards: limited pours during normal business hours no later than 9:00 p.m. and alcohol-awareness training. An identical bill was signed by the Governor following the 2025 session for Montgomery County (House Bill 1095).

Thank you and once again I request a favorable report of House Bill 1286.